

### **REMARKS**

Applicants' respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

Applicant hereby withdraws the Notice of Appeal and requests continued examination.

Claims 1-3 have been canceled and new claims 4-36 have been added to the application.

Claim 1 was canceled by Applicant in response to the first office action. The Examiner has rejected remaining dependent claims 2 and 3 under Rule 112 and determined that claims 2 and 3 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the Rule 112 rejection. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections to the claims in view of Applicant's cancellation of claims 2 and 3.

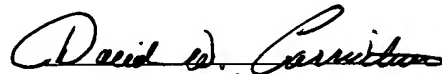
Applicant believes that the new independent claim 4 includes the subject matter deemed allowable by the Examiner.

For all of the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that the claims are patentable over the cited references and that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests prompt reconsideration and receipt of the formal Notice of Allowance.

If the Examiner believes there are other unresolved issues in this case, Applicant's attorney would appreciate a telephone call at (502) 452-1233 to discuss any such remaining issues.

Enclosed are checks to cover the cost of the petition fees for the extension of time, additional claims and Request for Continued Examination. Please charge for any underpayment or credit and overpayments to Counsel's deposit account 50-0642.

Respectfully submitted,

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